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W. I. Harris Sizes Up the Situation Tersely

WHAT WILL HAPPEN OCT. 5?

There Are Many Rumors, No One of Which May Be True, and Some of Which Are Positively Absurd-Some of the Things That Are Said.

[Copyright by American Press Association.] A New Yorker who is undoubtedly in she confidence of the Brotherhood recently asserted that the Players' league would throw a bomb on the 5th day of October that will send a cold chill down the backbone of the old League and fill its followers with dismay. Since the statement was made newspaper men all over the country have been making a still hunt after the inside trail of that deadly bomb. None of us has found it yet-that is, not a trail that one can swear by. I met a Brother hood man recently who gave me, as he claimed, the secret of the bomb. His story ta that it is an agreement between the proprietors of the Louisville club and the Players' League, by the terms of which the Louisville club, If it wins the American association championship, will desert that organization and play the champions of the Players' league for the championship of the world, and after the stames have been played the Louisvilles are to be admitted to the Players' league circuit in place of the Buffalo club.

Another story that comes to me is that the deal between You Der Ahe and Phelps, that was a part of the business of that Philadelphia conference, has really been completed, and that the denials of it have only been made to keep certain people, as well as the public, deluded until the scheme

The next parn is that the players of the Brooklyn Lengue cinb will, if they win the pennant, get together as individuals and play the Brotherhood champions.

But the wildest of all the rumors is the story telegraphed east by a Chicago man that Aaron Stern has decided to sell out the Cincinnati club, and has placed a price on it said to be \$10,000, and that Secretary Brunell, of the Brotherhood, has been given an option on the club, and that he is at present engaged, in company with Al Johnson, in raising the money. When Johnson and Brunell have bought the club they propose to make it a Brotherhood organization, and Cincinnati is to receive a franchise in the Players' league.

all these stories, and many more which I might retail, the first one seems to be the only tale of the lot which is at all likely to be true. The methods of President Parsons, of the Louisville club, in 1889, and the frequent conferences of Zach Phelps, president of the American association, with the men who are openly known as the emergency committee of the Brotherhood, lay both those gentlemen under suspicion, and there would be very little surprise if the announcement was made that Phelps and Parsons had made a bargain with the enemies of the National league and of the national agreement. It would be difficult to estimate what the effect of such a scheme would be upon the fortunes of the National league. It seems to me if the men who are alleged to have

made it are able to carry it out—a matter of considerable doubt—that the effect would not be very injurious to the Na-tional league. It would saddle another twenty-five cent town and another advo ente of Sunday baseball on to the Players' league, and I believe that this would counterbalance whatever might be gained by the playing of a series for the world's ship, which this year is not likely to be over profitable, The events of the last week have given

us some clew as to the probable National league circuit for 1831. The failure of the once great Athletic club, a splendid organ-ization holding a valuable franchise, which, by the way, has been rained by the most feeble and incompetent management with which a club was ever afflicted, and the acion of Robinson, McMahon and Welch by the Baltimore club are indiess that Manager Barnie's city will be in the National league next year. One is led to this conclusion from the nature of the salaries which are said to be inserted in the contracts of these three men, an aggregate of something like \$11,000 for the lot. Surely on the present outlook for next season no American association club could afford to shoulder such responsibilities. It has been hinted that Barnie has been strengthening his team so as to be in readiness to join the Players' league, but such an act would be so inconstitent with his repeated assertions to me, and to almost every newspaper man in the country, that

to believe it one must believe Barnie to be both a hypocrite and a liar. We are told every few days that Pitts-burg will surely have a National league tenm next season. But who believes it? The old league magnates are not foolish, and it strikes me that those who do not think that Pittsburg, is to be dropped must consider them so. There is only one chance for Pittsburg, and that is the abandonment of her territory by the Players' club, which is a very unlikely thing at this stage of the

I am told that if Baltimore is taken into the National league the twenty-five cent tariff will be continued there.

Joe Pritchard, of St. Louis, recently unde the broad statement that John B. Day believed that Sunday baseball would make the New York club a winner, and that he was favorably considering such a scheme. There isn't a word of fact in that statement. Mr. Day is irrevocably opposed to Sunday baseluli, and would, believe, retire from the sport altogether rather than runa club in a league in which Sunday games were played.

THINGS THAT ARE SAID. That the premature publication of the Comiskey deal has spoiled it. That all Boston is up in arms at the ru

mor that "King" Kelly is to be stolen away from them by the festive Johnson. That Eddie Takestt blames the loss of the Players' pennant by the New York that Eddie Crane, and intimates that tricyle in 2m. 43 3-3s., and cover it on a bi-Eddie C. will not be a member of the team | cycle in 2m. 25 is.

That if Eddie isn't signed somebody will have to put up for the \$1,000 which Eddle contributed to the capital of the New

That Ed Crane was no more responsible

for the ill luck of the Giants than several other men who might be mentioned. That an anxious public is watching the

Pittaburg misfits as they near the Louisville standard. You can almost count them 111; will they beat it—111? That Palmer O'Neill now concedes that

That Billy Burnie was in big luck to be opresentative of the Association' ing the settlement of the Ath sur club

That he represented Baltimore when he scooped in Robinson, Welch and McMahon. That William always looks out for number one, and that he only did what any

ing to the Boston (Players' league) team is onsense. Gangel is not an ingrate.
That Long John Reilly was "talking brough his hat" when he said that he saw Charley Radbourn practice two hours and

ther go out on the field the same day and pitch a game against Chicago. That Rad has always held that a pitcher should never pitch more balls on the day

he was to go into a game than would demonstrate his speed, show his control and warm him up. And Rad holds that this work should be done just previous to That from now on the fakirs will get their work in on baseball yarns.

That every statement not authoritative-

ly announced should be read with a grain of allowance. That two grains wouldn't be amiss in

Zimmerman, the Jersey Flyer. Arthur A. Zimmerman, the famous bi cyclist of the New Jersey Athietic club, who recently lowered Willie Windle's colors in two important races at Peoria, Ilia., was born at Camden, N. J., in 1809, and was educated at the Freehold institute at Freehold, N. J. He is about 6 feet in height, slenderly but powerfully built, and has made his mark as a plucky and hardy



ARTHUR A. ZIMMERMAN. rider in many a dash. His work at Peoria was somewhat of a surprise, when he defeated Windle by about two feet in the quarter mile dash, time 36 seconds, and in pranks, and chief among the victims of his the ten mile American championship, 32m. 1 3 5s.

He also won the one mile ordinary handicap in 2m. 32 3-5s, at Syracuse, N. Zimmerman recently brought the time for a half mile down to 1m. 13s., time for a half mile down to 1m. 13s., which now stands as the amateur record. The pair chose Chicago for honeymooning, bicycling, and accompanies his talented son on nearly all of his important engage-

Outfielder John McGeachy.

A brilliant outfielder and a talented all round ball player is John C. McGeachy, of in, high, weighs 105 pounds and was born at Clinton, Mass., about twenty-six years ago. He first appeared professionally in ago. He first appeared professionally in 1883 with the Waterbury (Conn.) team, and remained with them during 1884. In 1885 he played with both the Long Island, East-



JOHN C. M'GEACHY. and was transferred to the Indianapolis (N. with her. Plaintiff says that she has no L.) club in 1887, with which he did good

work for three seasons. When the great baseball war commenced McGeschy went over to the Brotherhood, and Capt, Ward, of the Brooklyn team, has found in him a value ole and trustworthy player. One of McGeachy's most notable performances was in 1839 in a game between Chicago and Indianapolis, when he made a safe hit each of the five times he grasped the stick, three of which were singles, one a double bagger and the fifth

Lieut. Muir is Champion.

Lient. Charles H. Muir, who recently won first prize as a rifleman at the national mrrksmen's tourney, Camp Douglas, Wis.



Seventeenth in-Monroe county, Mich., in July, signed to the Sev-

LIEUT CHAS R MUIR at Devil's Lake, N. D., where he first showed his extraor dinary talent with the rifle. Muir has won numerous notable contests, and in the recent competition at Camp Douglas led his company, was third in his department, and won the first medal in his division. It is said that his work undoubtedly places him at the head of American riflemen and among the first marksmen in

Rufus J. Bush, the Brooklyn millionaire and yachtsman who recently died from an overdose of aconite accidentally taken, was the owner of the schooner yacht Coronet, which defeated the Dauntless in a race across the Atlantic in 1887.

Some mathematical sportsman has figured to the effect that a man can walk a to Saratoga and there left her, hastening

Gymnastic exercise has the highest value in preventing disease. Statistics show that scientific physical training greatly increases the respiratory power of the lungs, and is a valuable aid to the skin, waking up its normal function and restoring it to its proper uses.

About 2,000 tigers are killed in India every year, and in 1882 895 men were killed by tigers. The English government gives a reward for tiger killing, and during that year \$7,000 was paid for the killing of 1,700

Al Joy Still Rolds the Record. Waterville has found a man shorter than Mr. Ai Joy, in name at least. One Jo Bo is put forward as the man. We are not inclined to accept this name as an improve-ment on Mr. Joy's claim for distinction. ther Association manager would have done under like circumstances.

That the National league is signing its one year men right and left.

That all talk about Charley Ganzel go-

They Sometimes Fly in a Wrong Direction.

TROUBLE AND SHAME THE RESULT

The Predicament in Which a Resident of Cincinnati Has Placed Himself-A Criminal's Return-Romance of a Hermit. The Pet of a Jail.



The little god of love isn't always to be Sometimes he gets reckless, and shoots his arrows about in a manner that cannot fail to create havoc, wreck homes, smush marital combinations, cause scandal and give the gossips a chance to talk their tongues off. He decoys people to ruin as well as to happiness, and altogether he is a dear, delightful, charming, angerous, dashing, unreliable and entirely irresponsible chap, who ought to have the bandage taken from his eyes and bound about his waist. Then he could shoot better, and he wouldn't suffer so much from changes in the weather.
Of late the young rascal has been cut

bow is Mr. Simon Obermayer, a merchant of Cincinnati, who is claimed as husband by two women. Recently Mr. Obermayer created a sensation in the Queen City by eloping with a Miss Mendel, better known imerman's father is an enthusiast on and had settled down in quiet happiness at one of the leading hotels when their bliss was disturbed by the arrival of a bulky legal document, which set forth the claims to recognition and alimony of an-

The title of the cause is Ella Obermaver plaintiff, vs. Simon Obermayer; and with the Brooklyn (P. l.) team. He is 5 ft. 8 him the Equitable National bank, of Cinthe Mutual Home and Savings association of Dayton; the Butchers and Drovers'



MISS ROBERTS-MISS MENDEL Building association, and the Favorite Stove works, of Piqua, O., are made de fendants. The petitioner sets forth that she was married Sept. 10, 1881, in Cincinnati, and has always conducted herself toward her husband, Simon Obermayer, as a faithful and affectionate wife.

She further declares that the defendant in gross disregard of his marital duty, cloped to Chicago with a woman known as ern league and Detroit (N. L.) clubs. He Sister Sophia, a Red Cross (so called) nurse, joined the St. Louis (N. L.) team in 1886 and went through the form of marriage means of support other than what she re ceived beretolore from her husband; that he has always given her an allowance of their household, besides paying general bills in addition thereto; that the defend-ant is a man largely interested in his codefendant corporations, and is the owner of property amounting in all to \$200,000. Under the circumstances she asks alimony and an injunction to restrain defendant

from transferring his property.

Naturally the affair has caused a great sensation. Mr. Obermayer does not deny that he has lived with No. I for nearly a decade, but he disputes the statement that he ever made her his wife, and asserts that No. 2 is the only woman to whom he has been legally united. A big battle in the

courts will result from the complication.

The claimant to Mr. Obermayer's propfantry, U. S. A. He erty and affections is a plump, good look-was born at Erie, ing blonde. Her malden name is said to have been Nellie Williams, but when she left Newark to enter upon a rapid career 1860, entered West at Cincinnati she assumed the alias of Point in 1880, and Nellie Roberts. Since her alliance with was graduated in Obermayer all reports agree duct has been above reproach. Obermayer all reports agree that her con-

It was while a patient at a hospital that



BUME CLAY. as No. 2. After his recovery he took No. 1 home on the plea of business to arrange for

Hume Clay's case is of an entirely different order. He was a resident of Winchester, Ky., and fied the country to avoid punishment for forgeries aggregating thou-sands of dollars. But wherever he wandered he carried with him the memory of a bright, loving and faithful wife. He was willing to sacrifice anything to be near her and therefore went home voluntarily to "face the music," expiate his misdeeds and get a chance to start life afresh in company with the love of his young manhood. As the forneries chiefly involve relatives. who are inclined to be lenient, he may es-

cape with a light sentence.

No crime is mixed up in the capers Cupid played with the heart of Willett Sherman, a convivial misogynist who now lives a hermit life in Rhode Island, and is known as the king of Chepiwanoxet. In his early days he was a sailor man of renown, and captained more than one cosster through storm and sunshine and heavy seas. But long years ago he met his fate in the shape of a nice little woman who lived at East Greenwich, R. I. He took her costly presents from "York," he danced attendance upon her between voyages, and finally he won her consent to become his wife. The

to the industrious captain.

He bought his fisuces a wedding dress, but when he called to defiver it he found that she had married some one else and gone away. This experience placed him at odds with the sex and with life in general. To use his own words, thencefor ward he "didn't give a durn." He sought solace in the flowing bowl and in the excitement of being a soldier. After the war he settled down on a little islet off the Rhode Island coast as a lone disherman. He desires no companionship, and as he is a man of great size and strength, his wish in this regard are respected. Said one who knows him, the other day: "He's a tough old fellow, is the king of Chepiwanoxet. Like a watermelon, you can cut into him four inches before you come to the red." Sherman is now nearly seventy years of

Mhen Cupid shot an arrow at Bertha Hoffman he ruined her life, for the lover who wooed did not marry her. Instead he ran away, leaving her deceived and des-Knowing what the future was to perate. Knowing what the future was to bring she took to swindling that she might



WILLETT SHERMAN.

make provision against a time of trial She represented herself as the daughter of a leading Chicago capitalist, and bought on credit large bills of valuable goods. The man she claimed as her father was absent in Europe with his family, and on the steps of his vacant mansion she received and receipted for her purchases. Detec-tion was followed by arrest and conviction.

She was sentenced to a year's imprison-ment in Cook county jail, and within the limits of that gloomy criminal fortress her girl baby was born. The infant received the name of Hazel, and is now the pet alike of the matron and of all the female con-One fat old negro woman in particular was devoted to the child. would rise early in the morning to dress her, would rock her in her arms nearly all day, attend to her wants, and at night see that she was properly undressed and tucked up in bed. So attached did she be-come to Hazel that when her term of imprisonment had ended she begged to be allowed to remain in jail, and shed bitter tears when ordered to leave

Miss Hoffman is about 25 years old, and is said by those who have seen her to be a



BERTHA AND HAZEL BOFFMAN. beautiful woman, deserving of a better fate than that to which indiscretion and

F. X. WHITE.

James Payn in a recent bomily on crimi nals save that honorable rescals are rare. but there have been some of them, and he cites two interesting cases. One is that of the convicts of Philadelphia who in 1793 showed a very unexpected good feeling. The yellow fever broke out in the town, and they volunteered to nurse the sick who were dying like flies. None of them attempted to escape, though they had ev-ery opportunity to do so, and were entrusted with horses and carts to bring in provisions for the poor, which the dealer dared not do. When the pestilence ceased all who survived returned to the prison Moreover, the female convicts cheerfully gave up their beds to the sick, which, it i curious to note, the debtors in the jail all

refused to do. The other instance occurred during the revolutionary war. Two soldiers of the army of Lord Cornwallis went into a house and treated the inmates in a most shame-ful manner. A third soldier met them oming out and recognized them. He was in no way to blame, but since he declined to give up the names of his comrades he was sentenced to the punishment they had incurred. Lord Cornwallis rode up to him when on the gallows.

"Campbell," he said, "what a fool you are to die thus! Give up their names!" "You are in an enemy's country, my lord," was the firm reply, "and you can better spare one man than two." And he was hanged.

He Lives Like a Wild Man

In the swamp district of Georgia lives a negro whose home is a huge log. It is twenty feet long, five feet in diameter, and divided into three apartments, one of which is occupied by the proprietor's dogs. The negro sustains himself by hunting and fishing. His clothes are the skins of wild beasts, and he has for his only companions two savage dogs. Supplies and ammunition he procures from the em-ployes of the Savannah river boats

Seetch Middle Class Thrift. A Scotch woman, the wife of a Philadelphia merchant, returned from her own land with some very funny stories of the canny middle class Caledonians. As a girl the nearness characterizing them was un-noticed, but after living on this side, she says, American liberality in money mat-ters contrasts very strikingly with Scotch thrift. Her first enting after getting home was on the invitation of a young man, a consin, who was civil enough to ask her to a county flower show.

As his father's carriage was used in transporting them to the show no question of who was to pay arose until they reached the entrance. Here the lady, accustomed to having her escort make ar rangements, stood gazing idly about, giv ing the matter no further thought. Pieture her rude awakening to national customs when Cousin Rosin gave her elbow a gentle nudge, and matter of fact way advised to of the sum necessary to purchase a ticket. Just you step over there, Jeanie, and pay it to that man in the plaid." It was not altogether stinginess, she continued, for, once inside, Robin bought her a nosegay costing three times the price of admission.—Hinstrated

PERMISSION TO GO HOME.

Been went to church one sultry day: She kept awake, I'm glad to say, Till "fourthly" started on its way. Then moments into hours grew; Oh, dear! oh, dear! what should she do?

en she giided from the pew. And up the aisle demurely went,

On some absorbing mission bent, Her eyes filled with a look intent. She stopped and said, in plaintive tone, With hand uplifted toward the dome, "Please, preacher man, our I go home?"

The treble voice, bell like in sound, Disturbed a sermon most profund; A titter swelled as it went round.

A smile the pastor's face o'erspread, He paused, and bent his stately head; Yes, little dear," he gently said.

—Christian Advocate

The Province of Education. This material from which the ideal is to be constructed is a being with a physical, mental and moral nature to be developed and educated. This education is not like a mechanism produced by cunningly fit-ting together portions of grammar, science and art; neither is it a receptacle to be filled. The child brought up for education must be regarded as a distinct personality, different from all other personalities, the result of antecedents and environments upon which, just as it is found at that mo ment, must be brought to bear the strongest motives and influences to induce it to make sacrifices or suspend self indulgence for the sake of an end at which it aims, So far all true education must be the same. The state will take the child on its way so far as to enable it to become a good citizen; there its duty ends. The college goes further and aims to make a learned The state and the college treat all their children alike: the curriculum is inflexible, and the stagnation of uniformity is often the result of their rigid procrustean rule. While system, methods and careful organization must form the groundwork of any school, the true aim of education should be to seek the individual, that it may bestow upon him in himself the fullness of its blessing.—Mrs. Sylvanus Reed

Shaving with Vaseline. A friend of mine a few months ago told me how to shave easily and painlessly, and I have never shaved in a barber's shop The plan is to use oil or grease instead of soap to prepare the chin and soften the beard. Vaseline is the most convenient, and it should be rubbed in quite freely. Then, with a keen rator, shaving can be done quickly and without a suspicion of pain. At first I couldn't reconcile myself to doing without the orthodox lather, and used soap after the vaseline had been applied. But the soap is really unnecessary, and shaving with oil or vaseline is cleaner, as well as pleasanter, and what is more to the point, there is no irritation whatever to the skin.-Interview in St. Louis Globe-

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